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SEEK NEW RECEIVER FOR HAMON ESTATE

Hope of Early Settlement in Railway Strike Abandoned as Breach Widens

KETCH CHARGED WITH VIOLATION OF HIS OFFICE

St. Louis Bank and Two State Institutions Start Procedure by Filing Petitions Saturday

ALLEGED PREFERENCE SHOWN IN PAYMENTS

Petitioners Say \$2,000,000 in Proveable Claims are Owed By Administrator

Charging that Frank L. Ketch, administrator of the estate of Jake L. Hamon, deceased, has violated his trust of office by giving preferential treatment to certain creditors and by grossly neglecting to exercise proper diligence in the administration of other duties of his office, a new receiver for the estate is asked in petitions filed in district court here Saturday by the Liberty Central Trust company of St. Louis, the First National Bank of Oklahoma City and the Producers National Bank of Tulsa.

The three plaintiff banks allege to be creditors of the estate in the joint sum of \$1,962,247.87, the Liberty Trust company making the largest claim with \$1,012,247.87. Charges that all of the claims have been allowed by the administrator and that they are wholly unpaid and now due with accrued interest and an additional sum for attorneys fees, are made in the petitions. Georgia Hamon Rohrer, widow of the late J. L. Hamon, Jr., who has been given majority rights by the district court of this county, and Olive Belle Hamon, minor, are named as other defendants in the action.

Indebtedness Was Heavy.
That Ketch took charge of certain belonging to the estate which were valued at \$3,143,502.50, exclusive of \$300,000 cash and \$540,000 insurance policies, as soon as he was appointed administrator of the estate is stated in the petition. According to the allegation the outstanding indebtedness of the estate at this time including the claim of the plaintiffs, amounted to approximately \$1,750,570.21. It is alleged, was supposed to be paid out of the assets on hand.

Charges are made in the application for a receiver that the amounts of

MEN SURRENDER ON ROBBERY CHARGE

OKLAHOMA CITY.—Walter Matheny and C. E. Bowman who were alleged to have figured in a robbery at an alleged road house near here Friday night and were pursued and fired on by the proprietor and his wife, surrendered to county officers Friday and were placed under \$1,500 bond each. Matheny was charged with assault to kill and robbery with a knife. Both made bond and were released.

Mrs. Matheny and her daughter, Mrs. Clara Smith who were in an automobile with Matheny and Bowman during the pursuit and were captured are now in jail here.

DISORDERS QUELLED QUICKLY AT ENNIS

ENNIS, Texas.—First disorders here in the shopmen's strike occurred shortly after midnight Saturday, when more than a hundred shots were exchanged, between alleged strikers and sympathizers and thirty guards in the Houston and Texas Central (Southern Pacific) yards. No casualties were reported and the disorder was quelled in fifteen minutes.

The trouble started when a car inspector went into the yards to inspect a passenger train. Strike leaders claim the first shot was fired by railroad guards. In the ensuing exchange of shots and rifles were used the strikers and sympathizers firing from a garage opposite the railroad yards. The situation was quiet today.

WILSON MAN CLEARED OF LARCENY CHARGE

Roy Powers of Wilson, was exonerated of a charge of grand larceny by Justice of the Peace D. W. Butcher Saturday afternoon. Powers was charged with the theft of a yearling from H. J. Chatham on May 20. Evidence tended to show that while Powers had sold the yearling and had seen it killed that he thought it belonged to his mother. The yearling had been branded with Mr. Chatham's mark but Powers denied recognizing it.

A. S. Rodgers and Tom Gilstrap go before Justice Butcher Monday to answer similar charges. Rodgers and Gilstrap are charged with having stolen cattle from L. A. Floyd, L. C. Conley and L. L. Tye.

Double Crossed Clark Declares After His Trial

OKLAHOMA CITY.—W. R. Clark, against whom a complaint charging forgery was filed Friday by W. T. Dodson, former secretary of the state board of education in connection with the alleged lawful issuance of two teachers' certificates, gave himself up Saturday and was arraigned at a preliminary hearing before a justice of the peace and held for trial in district court under bond of \$1,000.

On perfecting bail Clark described the charges as "one of the dirtiest double crossings" he had ever seen.

A similar information against a negro doctor named Wakefield was filed by Dodson in connection with the case. The negro is alleged to have paid Clark \$200 for the certificates which he procured for two of his own race. Wakefield has not been filed.

FORD OFFER FOR SHOAL REJECTED BY COMMITTEE

Senate Yet to Act on Proposal Presented for Taking Over Government Project.

WASHINGTON.—Henry Ford's offer for purchase and lease of the government's projects at Muscle Shoals, Ala., was rejected by the senate agriculture committee Saturday by a vote of nine to seven.

The bill introduced by Chairman Norris calling for operation of the projects by a government owner and controlled corporation also was rejected, the vote being 9 to 5.

The other offers including those of Alabama Power company, Frederick E. E. Engstrom and Charles L. Engstrom and Charles L. Parsons, also were rejected without a record vote.

The committee also voted down without a record vote the bill introduced by Senator Morris at request of former Representative Lloyd of Missouri, proposing a semi-governmental corporation.

Despite the adverse votes the proposals of Henry Ford and Senator Morris will be presented to the senate for final decision through minority report it was explained by Chairman Norris.

The water used by people of Ardmore from the city lake will be under the process of chlorination in about two weeks, according to plans made by the city commissioners at their regular meeting Friday night.

Because of the disagreeable odor of the city water, investigations have been made and it has been found that the chlorine method was effective in the fighting of bacteria. Disease germs, if there are any to speak of, are killed instantly when subjected to this process.

The entire plant, including installation will cost only \$1,225 and the main-taining cost is about 75 cents per day according to Kirk Dyer, city manager, who with Dr. A. Y. Easterwood, city physician, and Dr. Walter Hardy, who investigated the process and report it to be satisfactory.

The chlorine, which is used in liquid form, will not affect the taste of water.

MILK DEMONSTRATION HERE NEXT TUESDAY

Milk testing demonstrations will be the principal part of the program at the Carter county Junior Dairy club meeting which will be held at the office of the county agent, Tuesday at 1 o'clock.

These demonstrations will be conducted by John W. Boehr, extension dairy specialist from Stillwater, O. L. Putnam, assistant county agent and John W. Simpkins, county agent.

Mr. Boehr will remain over Wednesday in order that the night visit each of the dairy club boys and look over their stock. Mr. Boehr in his new office filled the vacancy caused by the resignation of T. W. Radway who is well known in Carter county, having made several visits here. Mr. Radway is now filling a similar position in New York state.

CLERKS AND STATION EMPLOYEES TAKING BALLOT ON STRIKE

CINCINNATI.—Clerks, freight handlers and station employees on the Southern railroad numbering approximately four thousand are taking a strike ballot it was learned unofficially at headquarters of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, freight handlers, station and express employees here Saturday.

BIG COMPANIES SLASH PRICE OF CRUDE SATURDAY

Independent Producer Pays Price Since Mexican Crude Comes in Under Low Tariff

PRAIRIE AND TEXAS CUT LOCAL FIELDS

Magnolia Follows and Gets Production of Texas Areas With New Schedule

(By Bill Krohn)

Reduction in price of midcontinent crude from \$2 to \$1.75 a barrel and north Texas oil from \$2.25 to \$2 per barrel, effective Saturday morning, on July 16, was announced yesterday by the Prairie Pipe Line Company. Later reports bore the information that the Texas Company had made a similar reduction effective at 7 a. m. Saturday July 16.

The cut effects the production run by the Prairie and Texas companies, in the Hewitt, Graham and Amerasia fields as far as the Carter county pools are concerned as well as all other districts in the mid-continent field.

The cut of 25 cents in midcontinent and north Texas crudes which was announced by the Prairie Pipe Line and Texas companies Saturday morning was met by the Magnolia Petroleum company, according to information received here by wire which stated that Augusta, Kansas, Yale, Comanche, Cushing and Duncan, Oklahoma crude will be \$1.75; Electric, Burk Burnett, Burk Burnett Hinrichs, Moran, Ranger and Stephens county districts, Strawn and Thrall, Texas, crude will be \$2 per barrel at the wells.

Situation is Puzzle.
The crude oil situation in the mid-continent fields has been puzzling for some time. The matter of production and consumption has been out of balance for many months with the output greatly exceeding the demand, (according to statistics) but inasmuch as gasoline has been taking an upward trend and there was a market for the entire output of this refinery product, it was believed by many that the crude situation would at least retain its figure and not be cut.

The encroachment of water in Mexico's leading pool instilled a spurt of encouragement in the oil men but later reports bear the information that inasmuch as reserve wells are now being opened by the Mexican operators, the imports of Mexican oil will not show any decided decrease for some time.

KATY SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH CREW OF CLERKS

ST. LOUIS.—The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Saturday signed a wage agreement with the 2,700 clerks and it is the second road with general offices here to settle with the clerks, the Wash-burn having signed an agreement several weeks ago. Details of the agreement were not made public, but it was said the average wage would be 55 cents an hour. The contract can be ended on 30 days' notice, it was added.

Beginning at the corner of D street and West Main, west with the south side of Main and Broadway to I street east side of I street to boundary; south and east to F street; west side of F street to Fifth avenue, thence to D street, west of D street to beginning.

Oil stocks going up on the New York market and which have maintained their increased figures, gave reason for unexpected improvement in the petroleum industry rather than the reverse, as has also the payment of premiums by many of the large companies in the high gravity fields. But the increased stocks have overcome all other indications for a better market.

As is always the case, the burden of the cut must be borne by the independent producer, and the thorn in his side is the importation of the Mexican crude, relief from which at the present time seems to be as far distant as ever.

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Let's get into this guessing contest, and see how well we know history. Old Andy Gump is going to picture to us 24 famous events of American history. The picture alongside is the first one. It represents something that should be familiar to all of us. Another will appear Monday, and another Tuesday and so on, until the whole 24 has been taken up. Some of them are easy and some are hard.

The Ardmoreite is going to give three prizes for the best list of answers: First prize \$5; second prize \$2.50 and third prize \$1. The money isn't so much but it will be lots of fun guessing. Get into it.

Save all your answers until the contest is over, then mail to Contest Editor, Ardmoreite.

ADA MAN FINED FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT

ADA, Okla.—C. E. Canning and M. C. Giesby, well known local business men, were fined \$25 each Saturday by Judge J. W. Bolen, in district court for contempt, when they refused to answer questions regarding their membership in the Ku Klux Klan. Today marked the expiration of a 10-day period given the men to decide whether they would answer the question which was put to them when they were drawn for duty in a murder trial.

Counsel for the two men declared the fine would not be paid and that an appeal would be taken to the state supreme court.

REGISTER Some Questions and Answers on Very Pertinent Subject

Registration books in every precinct in Carter county are now open but will close July 21.

Information as to who may register for the primary election August 1 has been prepared in a series of questions and answers for voters.

Q.—Is it necessary that I register?
A.—Yes. Owing to the change in precincts by the election board, all prior registration certificates are void if a change in precinct has been made.

Q.—Who is a qualified elector and who is entitled to register?
A.—All citizens of the United States and the state of Oklahoma, both male and female, over 21 years of age, who have resided in the state of Oklahoma for more than one year preceding the election, in the county six months, and in the precinct 30 days.

Q.—Where, when and how may I become registered?
A.—Any person who is a qualified elector or who has become a qualified elector, may make application to the registrar of his precinct not more than 30 days nor less than 10 days before the day holding any election, and be registered. Precinct registrars shall have no authority to register electors at any other time and registration certificates issued by any precinct registrar at any other time shall be void.

Q.—I have made application to become a citizen of the United States. Am I entitled to register?
A.—No. No foreigners are entitled to registration until they receive their final papers.

Q.—I will not be a qualified elector at registration time, but will become one before the date of the election. Am I eligible to register and vote at such election?
A.—Yes. Upon satisfying the registrar that you will be a qualified elector by election day you may become registered and vote at such election.

Q.—I have never been registered. How may I become registered and when?
A.—You may register by applying to the registrar of your precinct during the regular registration period, by satisfying the registrar that you are a qualified elector.

Q.—If I register as an Independent am I entitled to vote in the primary election?
A.—No. No elector shall at any primary election held in this state vote the ballot of any political party of which he is not a member. There is no "Independent" party.

One new precinct has been created in Ardmore. All voters residing in that new precinct must register. The boundaries of new precinct number ten are as follows:

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TOPEKA MAYOR IS CLEARED OF OUSTER

TOPEKA, Kan.—Mayor Herbert J. Corwin of Topeka, was cleared of the ouster charge brought against him by Attorney General Richard J. Hopkins the district court decision Saturday being rendered in the mayor's favor.

The mayor was charged with failure to enforce the prohibitory and anti-cigarette laws and with alleged protection money being paid by defendants in police court cases, where their cases never came to trial.

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CAPPER DEFENDS PRIMARIES AND URGES EXTENSION



Senator Arthur Capper.

LEAGUE NATIONS MEETS IN LONDON FOR FIRST TIME

Session Will Last Ten Days When Earl of Balfour Will Preside; Many Nations Send Delegates

LONDON.—For the first time since its organization, the council of league of nations is to meet in London. The sessions, which are expected to last ten days, will be held in St. James palace beginning Monday of next week.

The Earl of Balfour, Great Britain's sitting foreign minister, will preside and France will be represented by former Premier Rene Viviani, Italy by the Marquis Imperiali di Francavilla, Belgium by Paul Hymans, foreign minister, Japan by Viscount Ishii, ambassador to France; Spain by Quinones de Leon, ambassador to France; Brazil by Domínguez Dagoberto, ambassador to Great Britain and China by her charge d'affaires here.

Jugo-Slavia, Austria, Roumania, Bulgaria and Albania are sending delegates to defend their interests.

Lots of Choc and Ice on Hand, But Party Was Ruined

Twenty-four bottles of choc, a tub filled with ice and several liquor containers, were seized and five persons were arrested by officers Tom Smith and John Ginn when a raid was made upon a residence near the refinery north of Ardmore. Those arrested are Warren Temple, Goldie Carter, Bible Childers, E. S. Barnes and E. R. Eyerson.

According to officers the party was in the act of staging a big party when arrested. Several persons are said to have escaped and to have taken a nice quantity of the choc with them, but officers succeeded in getting most of the supply.

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The post office department, inaugurated the first motor mail truck service in Indiana, between two points on a line where trains have been unusable.

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WASHINGTON.—E. F. Grable, chief of the brotherhood of maintenance of way employees and shop laborers followed his conference here Saturday with President Harding, sent out a call for a meeting early next week at the union's headquarters in Detroit, of all grand lodge and executive officers.

Mr. Grable will lay before the meeting a report of his conference with the president and the officers of the union then assembled will decide upon the policy to be followed by the organization which thus far has refused to go on strike. Mr. Grable, after issuing the call left Washington for Detroit.

TEXAS JUDGE SKEWS INJUNCTION TIGHT

HOUSTON, Texas.—A temporary injunction was signed by Federal Judge Hutcherson Saturday, "strictly enjoining" the striking railway shop crafts and their members from intimidating workers, from interfering with the commerce, from congregating on the streets or in front of homes of employees, from trespassing on railroad premises and from conspiring to do anything of these things. "To strictly injoin, is to narrow restrict," it explained.

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ROADS MAY OPEN SHOPS WITH NON-UNION EMPLOYEES

Conference of Officials Friday Night Failed to Bring Common Meeting Plain; Saturday Puzzling

WHITE HOUSE PARLEY WITH HARDING FUTILE

Army Officer Begins Investigation at Denison Saturday; Troops May be Sent

(By the Associated Press.)

Railway strike peace, which seemed all but certain during most of the week slumped to an almost hopeless state of coma Saturday following Friday night's dismal failure of the roads and the strikers to reach even a common starting ground. Executives of the roads have virtually abandoned hope of an immediate settlement. According to a high official of the railroad labor board, the roads have decided to make active plans to reopen all their shops with non-union labor. Many of them who have not hired men extensively thus far still hoping for a return of their old men. Chairman Ben W. Hooper, of the labor board, worn with countless conferences with strike leaders and rail heads, added to the general depression today by announcing that no further conference with the union heads were scheduled at present.

B. M. Jewell, president of the federated shop crafts, however, still held out hope and smilingly maintained that the men would eventually win their fight. He remarked incidentally that the strike would be "more effective two weeks from today than today."

Friday's session between Chairman Hooper, acting as an official envoy of the railroads and the union heads ended in what was apparently an unbreakable deadlock. On the four main questions at issue, not a single conciliatory step was taken on any one. The farming out of shop work by the railroads, declared illegal by the board is the biggest stumbling block for although Chairman Hooper expressed his firm conviction that all roads would cease this practice, he brought no definite promise from the railroads to that effect.

Mr. Jewell and his executive committee took up the matter of wage and rate adjustments today with little prospect of conceding the demand of the carriers that the men go back to work before a rehearing is granted by the board on these questions.

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